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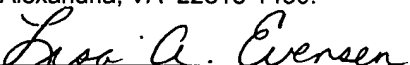
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This is a response to the outstanding Office Action mailed February 9, 2004. Please enter this Response to Official Action in the above-referenced application. Applicant believes that no fee and no request for extension of time are due in connection with the filing of this Response, since no shortened statutory period was set in this office action. However, if any fee is due please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

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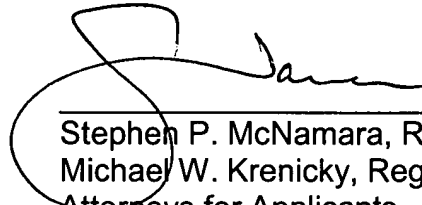
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The Examiner has required restriction to one of five groups of claims. Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claim 1, for prosecution in this case and further elect species iii, relating to anti-inflammatory properties. Applicant identifies claims 1-7 as readable on the elected species.

Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications directed to Groups II, III, IV, and V.

Respectfully submitted,

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